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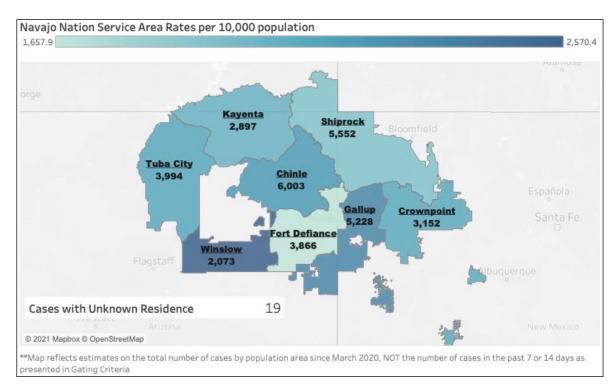
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74 new cases, 31,000 recoveries, and one more death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Friday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 74 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths is now 1,407. The report indicates that 31,000 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 319,380 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 32,784, including three delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 6,003

Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,152Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,866

Gallup Service Unit: 5,228Kayenta Service Unit: 2,897

Shiprock Service Unit: 5,552
Tuba City Service Unit: 3,994
Winslow Service Unit: 2,073

* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of Arizona reported 3,802 new cases, Utah reported 1,635, and New Mexico reported 914 new cases. The Navajo Department of Health advises Navajo Nation residents to limit travel and to stay local during the Labor Day weekend, due to high infection rates for COVID-19 and the Delta variant in cities and regions near and around the Navajo Nation.

"For the safety and health of our people and our communities, please do not travel off the Navajo Nation during the Labor Day weekend. The safest place to be is at home here on the Navajo Nation where the infection rate for COVID-19 is much lower than border towns and cities off our Nation. Our public health experts are fighting hard for us every day, so let's help them by getting fully vaccinated, continuing to wear masks in public, limiting in-person gatherings, and staying local this weekend. We have to remain diligent and make every effort to push back on the Delta variant," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Be safe, mask up, and take all precautions to help keep yourself and your loved ones safe and healthy from COVID-19. Please continue to pray for all of those who are fighting COVID-19 and recovering from the disease, and for all of our health care workers who continue to put themselves at risk to help others and save lives. We are in this together," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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